REMARKS

Reconsideration is requested.

The Examiner's allowance of Claims 1-11, 14-16 and 21-31, and indication that Claim 18 contains allowable subject matter is acknowledged. Claim 17 has been amended to incorporate the limitation of Claim 18, as well as for increased clarity, and is therefore allowable. Claims 18-19 have been cancelled.

In view of the foregoing, this application is believed to be in condition for immediate allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested

Should the next Action be anything other than a Notice of Allowance, the undersigned requests a telephone consultation.

Respectfully submitted,

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